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On 12 October 1953, the Prinz-Louis-Ferdinand Kaserne in Saalfeld, which was only partially occupied on 21 September, appeared to be occupied to capacity by about 800 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport and artillery insignia. In late September and early October, unarmed soldiers were seen training in the installation, while a total of about 350 troops daily received advanced combat training at squad level or individually in the area south of the Baulwitz-Aue-am Berg road. Construction work at the fuel dump of the installation had been completed. The roofs were covered with earth.

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Comment. As Saalfeld is located in the area where, between 9 and 15 October, maneuvers were held by the Eighth Gds Army, it cannot be determined whether the Prinz-Louis-Ferdinand Kaserne on 12 October, was occupied by the units permanently stationed there or by troops temporarily stationed in this area.

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